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In re Patent Application of:
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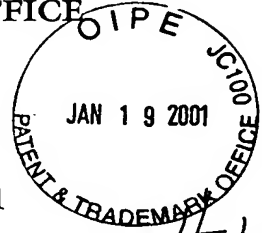
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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a one month extension of time to and including January 19, 2001 to respond to the Office Action mailed September 19, 2000. Our check covering the fee (\$110.00) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1) is enclosed.

In the event that a further petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to ensure that the above-identified application does not become abandoned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper

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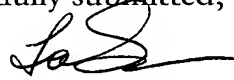
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hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1073, under Order No. M4065.0335/P335-A. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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